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For: COMPOSITE POROUS MEMBRANE AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This is in response to the requirement for restriction mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on June 15, 2009. Applicants hereby elect Group I (claims 1-6, 10-13, and 15-16) *with traverse*. Inasmuch as the Office Action sets a one-month shortened statutory period for response, to end July 15, 2009, no fee is believed due at this time. However, the Office is authorized to charge any required fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

**Remarks**, beginning on page 2, include Applicants' Election with Traverse.